

One Page Stone Veneer Installation Guide

Professional Guide for Residential and Commercial Projects

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Core Steps

1. Plan stone color, pattern, and joint style. Build a mockup.
2. Measure square footage and add 10–15% waste.
3. Identify surface type: masonry, framed, interior, or exterior.
4. Apply waterproofing where required.
5. Blend from multiple pallets for color consistency.
6. Dry-lay starter course and corners.
7. Trim stones using Hardie, Chipper, or Hammer.
8. Mix MVIS Hi-Bond Mortar to creamy, non-sag texture.
9. Back-butter stones and test bond coverage.
10. Set from the bottom up, starting with corners.
11. Fill and tool joints with MVIS Pointing Mortar.
12. Wait 7 days before cleaning with an approved cleaner (Vana Trol) or water.
13. Seal only if needed, using breathable sealers.
14. Control temperature and curing during extreme weather.
15. Inspect for uniform joints, tight bonds, and clean faces.
16. Correct loose stones, haze, or efflorescence promptly.

Common Pitfalls

Skipping waterproofing, weak mortar coverage, poor blending, and leaving acid residue.